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1. Two tugboats, each towing one barge, were observed [] on the Tuloma River at Murmashi (N68-50, E32-50). The tugboats were about 30 meters long and diesel-powered. The barges were of an identical size and had no hatches or cabins above the flush deck. The river at this point is comparatively wide and would be difficult to ford safely.
2. [] power lines running between the two towns Murmashi (N68-50, E32-50) and Murmansk (N68-58, E33-05). 50X1-HUM
3. A triangulation tower, with an elevation of 293.1 meters above sea level, is situated northwest of Pevvo-yarvi (N68-50, E32-33). Nearby are located buildings recently erected for the intended use of road workers. The buildings are 10 to 15 meters by 7 to 8 meters in size and are constructed of heavy planking. They are one story high and contain no visible windows. A dirt highway, which handles heavy trucking, runs through the area. The trucks are three-ton, gasoline-driven Molotovs. Alongside the highway, there are many houses, and from these [] smoke coming forth and occupants moving about as late as 2230 hours. On 12 July 1952 at 2300 hours, powerful explosions were heard in a northwest direction. At this hour, work on the road continued in full force. 50X1-HUM
4. On 10 July 1952 at 2220 hours, a motorboat was observed passing the western end of Jutkina (N68-47, E32-24) on the Tuloma River. The next day, two fishing boats (row boats) were [] in the same locality. 50X1-HUM
5. The village of Jutkina contains about 20 houses, none of which are civilian buildings (private residences).
6. On the southern side of Jutkina, there is a bridge spanning the Tuloma River. On the western side of this village, there is a telephone line running westward.
7. A large area west of the Tuloma River, southeast of Kod-Vid Hill and Pakin-Vaivish Hill, had been burned out by a forest fire several years previously. At present, this area is covered by new underbrush four feet high.

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8. The Tuloma River, between Kokhkonen (N68-45, E32-20) and the junction of the Shumey River (N68-41, E32-62), varies in width between 170 meters and 1,500 meters. The current is slow and the river is deep. 50X1-HUM
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9. The village of Wossmuss (Wassmuss, N68-43, E32-08) is thought [] to be uninhabited. On 15 July 1952 at an early hour in the morning, [] dogs' barking and also shooting, which [] was probably done by soldiers at Wossmuss. Shortly afterwards, [] wood chopping (banging) and shooting in the direction of the Tuloma River. 50X1-HUM
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10. In early fall 1952 [] observed what appeared to be a motor boat on patrolling activities on the Tuloma River (at approximately N68-44m E32-17). Two men in olive drab uniforms were observed on the boat. Lumber was also being towed by tugboats on the Tuloma River in this area. 50X1-HUM
11. An eight-wire telephone line runs along the east bank of the Ulita (Chlita) River (N68-42, E32-07) where it joins the Tuloma River.
12. A telephone line with about 10 wires runs along a foot trail about one kilometer west of the Tuloma River. The line runs primarily in a north-south direction, following the course of the river.
13. Deserted, half-buried huts (guard shelters), old trenches, and warning posters against mines are located in the marsh south of Kumsha (68-47-45, E31-59).
14. Almost half-way between Restikent (Ristikants, N68-37, E31-43) and Pevvo-yarvi, there is an eight-wire telephone line which follows the northern bank of the Lutto River to Jutkina.
15. Near northern Restikent, there is a sawmill which contains stacks of ready-cut timber and a storage supply of new houses and cut building frames. A considerable amount of timber floating was in progress on the two rivers entering this area (sic). Many boats were dragged up on the beaches, while other row boats were located out on the river. Nearby, in northern Restikent, [] bunkers constructed of stone and also piles of rocks surrounded by barbed wire enclosures. [] these constructions were remnants of World War II. Slightly northwest of the town, [] a four-wire telephone line running in an east-west direction. 50X1-HUM
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16. A rubber float and a large row boat were observed on a river that lies somewhat east of Khulkko (N68-36, E31-14). 1 [] soldiers were using the boats to repair telephone lines and that the lines from Jutkina westward towards the Lutto River had recently been repaired. 50X1-HUM
17. Slightly east of Khulkko, [] a cabin, a searchtower, a radio station, and a telephone installation. Soldiers were [] in front of the cabin beside a fire. The sound of dogs howling was heard in the direction of the cabin at the radio station. [] the radio station had three antennae masts with four-to five-meter-long antennae. 50X1-HUM
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1. [] Comment. [] probably [] alluding to the Paust River (N68-36, E31-23). 50X1-HUM
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